bounds of the town of Panhandle, in the county of Carson and State of Texas, and other land and territory adjacent thereto, to incorporate as an independent school district for free school purposes only, to be known as the 'Panhandle Independent School District,' with all the powers, rights and duties of independent school districts formed by incorporations of towns and villages for free school purposes only, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Barrett, Chairman; Senter, Meachum, Glasscock, Green, Harper, Grinnan.

### (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 19, 1907. Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Educational Affairs, to whom was referred

House bill No. 148, A bill to be entitled "An Act to so amend Section 100, Chapter 124, Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, as to hereafter require the teaching of elementary agriculture in all public schools of this State, except independent school districts containing a scholastic population of three hundred or more,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Barrett, Chairman; Harper, Senter, Meachum, Glasscock, Green, Grinnan, Kellie.

### (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 20, 1907. Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, the undersigned members of your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

House bill No. 48, A bill to be entitled "An Act for the protection of stock raisers, farmers, horticulturists, providing for the destruction of wolves and other wild animals, to make an appropriation therefor, and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict therewith, and declaring an emergency,"

Have had the same under consideratook up tion, and beg to report it back to the No. 128.

Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Hudspeth, Chairman; Green, Veale, Murray, Willacy, Grinnan, Alexander.

#### FIFTY-FIFTH DAY.

Senate Chamber, Austin, Texas, Thursday, March 21, 1907.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant Governor Davidson in the

Roll call, quorum present, the following answering to their names:

Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Chambers. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Smith. Grinnan. Stokes. Harbison. Stone. Harper. Terrell. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellie. Willacy. Looney.

Absent.

Alexander. Cunningham. Paulus.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M. Seers

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Green, the same was dispensed with.

(See Appendix for committee reports, petitions and memorials.)

# BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 298, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Title XVIII, Chapter 4 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to cities and towns, by adding to said chapter an article to be known and designated as Article 483b, and declaring an emergency."

Morning call concluded.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 128.

On motion of Senator Murray, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 128.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

third reading,
House bill No. 128, A bill to be entitled "An Act to repeal Subdivisions one (1), five (5), six (6), eight (8), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirty-one (31), thirty-three (33), thirty-five (35), thirty-eight (38), thirty-nine (39), fifty-one (51), fifty-five (55), fifty-nine (59), and to smooth Subdivisions thire (59), and to amend Subdivisions thirteen (13) of Section one (1) of an act entitled 'An Act to amend Article 5049, Chapter one (1), Title one hundred and four (104) of the Revised Civil Statutes, relating to general occupation taxes,' Chapter eighteen (18) of the Acts of the First Special Session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, relating taxes on certain occupations."

Senator Griggs offered the following

amendment:

Amend the bill by inserting in lines 16 and 22, page 1, the following, "48," and in line 30, page 1, the following: "mercantile and collecting agencies as designated in Subdivision 49."

Senator Terrell moved to table the amendment, which motion to table pre-

vailed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-16.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Murray.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harbison.	Stone.
Harper.	Terrell.
Holsey.	Veale.

# Nays-10.

Faust.	Masterson.
Green.	Meachum.
Griggs.	Senter.
Hudspeth.	Smith.
Kellie.	Watson.

### Absent.

Alexander.	Paulus.
Cunningham.	Willacy.

#### Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Senator Murray moved the previous question on the bill, and the motion being duly seconded, was so ordered.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

# REASONS FOR VOTING.

I vote "yea" on House bill No. 128, which repeals all occupation taxes on useful occupations for the following reasons: It is a platform demand and I

as the Williams intangible assets law has been declared by the Supreme Court "constitutional," I believe we will have revenue sufficient to run the State Government.

HOLSEY.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 575.

On motion of Senator Veale, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 575.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading, House bill No. 575, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create the Panhandle Independent School District in Carson county, Texas, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopt-

ed, on motion of Senator Veale.

Bill read second time and passed to third reading.

On motion of Senator Veale the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-25.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Chambers.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Smith.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harbison.	Stone.
Harper.	Terrell.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

#### ${f Absent.}$

Alexander.	Paulus.
Cunningham.	Willacy.
Murray	•

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-24

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Barrett.	Harbison.
Brachfield.	Harper.
Chambers.	Holsey.
Faust.	Hudspeth.
Glasscock.	Kellie.
Green.	Looney.
Griggs.	Masterson.
Grinnan.	Mayfield.

Meachum. Murray. Senter.

Skinner.

Smith. Stone. Veale. Watson.

Absent.

Alexander. Cunningham. Paulus.

Stokes. Terrell. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Senator Veale moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

Senate bill No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the First and Second Judicial Districts in the State of Texas, to prescribe the time for the holding of the courts therein and to re-peal all laws in conflict with same, and to validate all process, bonds and recognizances heretofore taken in the courts of said districts, and all judgments therein rendered or to be rendered, and to declare an emergency," with amend-

House bill No. 646, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act passed by the Twenty-eighth Legislature, March 31, 1903, entitled 'An Act to amend Subdivision 9 of Article 22, Title IV, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, 1895, changing the time of holding court in certain counties in the Ninth Judicial District of the State of Texas.'

House concurs in Senate amendments to House bill No. 447.

Respectfully

BOB BARKER. Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### BILL READ AND REFERRED.

Chair (Lieutenant Governor Davidson) had read and referred, after its caption had been read, the following House bill:

House bill No. 646, to Committee on Judicial Districts.

 $\mathbf{BILL}$ NO. 20-HOUSE SENATE AMENDMENTS CONCURRED IN.

Senator Brachfield called up Senate bill No. 20, A bill to be entitled "An Act to reorganize the Second Judicial District and to create a new district, No. 67, and to fix the time for holding of the courts therein, and for

the appointment of a judge and district attorney for the Sixty-seventh Judicial District so created,"

And moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments:

Amend Section 3 of the bill so as to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. The terms of court shall be held in the First Judicial District as follows:

"In the county of San Augustine, on the first Mondays in January and July, and may continue in session three weeks.

"In the county of Tyler, on the third Monday after the first Monday in January and July, and may continue in session five weeks.

"In the county of Newton, on the eighth Monday after the first Mondays in January and July, and may continue in session three weeks.

"In the county of Sabine, on the eleventh Monday after the first Mondays in January and July, and may continue in session six weeks.

"In the county of Orange, on the seventeenth Monday after the first Mondays in January and July, and may continue in session five weeks.

"In the county of Jasper, on the twenty-second Monday after the first Mondays in January and July, and may continue in session until the business is disposed of."

2.

Amend Section 4 so as to read as follows:

"The courts of the Second Judicial District shall be held as follows:

"In the county of Shelby, on the first Monday in February and in August, and may continue in session for six weeks.

"In the county of Nacogdoches, on the sixth Monday after the first Monday in February and August, and may continue in session for six weeks.

"In the county of Angelina, on the twelfth Monday after the first Monday in February and August and may continue in session for five weeks.

"In the county of Cherokee, on the seventeenth Monday after the first Monday in February and August, and may

continue in session at the spring term, for six weeks, and at the fall or winter term, until the Saturday night before the first Monday in February following."

The motion to concur prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Kellie. Barrett. Brachfield. Looney. Chambers. Masterson. Mayfield. Faust. Glasscock. Meachum. Green. Murray. Griggs. Senter. Skinner. Grinnan. Harbison. Smith. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Cunningham. Paulus.

Stokes. Terrell. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 309.

On motion of Senator Harper, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 309.
The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 309, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 34, of Chapter 164, of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, relating to State and county finances and to the finances of cities incorporated under the General Laws of this State, providing for designation of depositories of State, county and city

Senator Harper offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the caption of the bill, line 17, after the word "general," by inserting the following: "or special."

Senator Harper offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill by adding to Section 2 in words as follows: "Whereas, there is now no law authorizing cities incorporated under special charters to deposit the cities' funds or school funds, and, whereas, the crowded condition of the calendar renders it improbable that this bill can be reached and read on three several days, therefore, an emergency and a public necessity exists that the Greer.

constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act shall take effect and be enforced from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Senator Harper offered the following

amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the caption of the bill by adding after the word "funds," in line 18, the following: "and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time and passed to

a third reading.
On motion of Senator Harper the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas—23.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Glasscock. Meachum. Green. Murray. Griggs. Senter. Grinnan. Skinner. Harbison. Smith. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellie.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Stokes. Chambers. Terrell. Cunningham. Willacy. Paulus.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-23.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Glasscock. Meachum. Murray. Green. Griggs. Senter. Grinnan. Skinner. Harbison. Smith. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellië.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Stokes. Chambers. Terrell. Cunningham. Willacy. Paulus.

Absent—Excused.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 214.

On motion of Senator Skinner, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill

No. 214.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 214, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define and prohibit discrimination against persons seeking employment, and to prescribe penalties for the breach of said act."

On motion of Senator Skinner, the committee report, which recommended the passage of the bill with amendments,

was adopted.

Senator Brachfield offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out of the printed bill the word "or," in line 31, page 6 of committee report, and insert the word "of"; also inserting after the word "discharge," in the same line, the words "if true."

The bill was read second time and

passed to a third reading, and On motion of Senator Skinner, vote by which the bill passed to a third reading, was reconsidered.

Senator Skinner offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill by adding:
"Section —. The importance of this "Section —. The importance of this measure and the near approach of the close of this session creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Bill read second time and passed to

a third reading.
On motion of Senator Skinner, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas—23.

Barrett. Harper. Brachfield. Holsey. Faust. Hudspeth. Glasscock. Kellie. Green. Looney. Griggs. Masterson. Grinnan. Mayfield.

Meachum. Stone. Murray. Terrell. Senter. Veale. Skinner. Watson. Smith.

Absent

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Stokes. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Masterson. Mayfield. Brachfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Senter. Green. Griggs. Skinner. Smith. Grinnan. Harper. Stone. Terrell. Holsey. Hudspeth. Veale. Watson. Kellie. Looney.

### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Stokes. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Senator Skinner moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### HOUSE BLIL NO. 80.

On motion of Senator Looney, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 80.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 80, A bill to be entitled "An Act to protect the lives and property of the traveling public, and the employes of the railroads in the State of Texas."

(Senator Glasscock in the chair.)

Bill read second time and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Looney, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-24.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Skinner. Grinnan. Smith. Harper. Stokes. Holsey. Stone. Hudspeth. Terrell. Kellie. Veale. Looney. Watson.

### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

#### Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-24.

Barrett.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Murray.
Green.	Senter.
Griggs.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Smith.
Harper.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Stone.
Hudspeth.	Terrell.
Kelliê.	Veale.
Looney.	Watson.

### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

#### Greer.

Senator Looney moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 459.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 459.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 459, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating an independent school district to be known as the Hager- Looney.

man Independent School District, including within its limits the town of Hagerman, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof, and authorize the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same, and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the duties and authorities of said board."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Barrett.

Bill read second time and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Barrett.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Murray.
Green.	Senter.
Griggs.	Smith.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Stone.
Holsey.	Terrell.
Hudspeth.	Veale.
Kellie.	Watson.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Looney. Paulus. Skinner. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read the third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Meachum. Faust. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Smith. Stokes. Grinnan. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Veale. Hudspeth. Kellie. Watson.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Skinner. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Senator Barrett moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 346.

On motion of Senator Senter, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 346.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 346, A bill to be entitled "An Act to incorporate Seagoville School District in Dallas and Kaufman counties an independent school district; and to provide for the election of trustees, raising revenue by taxation, issuing bonds and maintaining public free schools therein."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Senter.

Bill read second time and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Senter the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas—22.

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Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Faust.	Mayfield.
Glasscock.	Meachum.
Green.	Murray.
Griggs.	Senter.
Grinnan.	$\mathbf{Smith}.$
Harper.	Stokes.
Holsey.	Stone.
Hudspeth.	Veale.
Kellie.	Watson.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Paulus. Chambers. Skinner. Cunningham. Terrell. Harbison. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas—23.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Smith. Grinnan. Stokes. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Looney.

### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Skinner. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Senator Senter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 470.

On motion of Senator Grinnan, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 470, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating independent school district, to be known as the Coleman Independent School District, including within its limits the municipal incorporation of the town of Coleman, and to provide for the creation of a board of trustees thereof, and authorizing the board of trustees to levy, assess and collect special taxes, and conferring upon the board of trustees plenary powers and authority to issue bonds for the purpose of purchasing school sites, and erecting, furnishing and equipping school buildings within the same and to pay current expenses in the maintenance and support of said schools, and further prescribing the duties and authorities of said board."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Grinnan.

Bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Grinnan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended

and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Murray: Glasscock. Green. Senter. Smith. Griggs. Grinnan. Stokes. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Looney.

Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus. Skinner. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Glasscock. Meachum. Green. Murray. Griggs. Senter. Grinnan. Smith. Harper. Stokes. Holsey. Stone. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson.

### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Skinner. Terrell. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Senator Grinnan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### SECOND HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bill:

Senate bill No. 157, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 12 and Section 21 of Chapter 128 of the Acts of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, entitled 'An Act providing the mode by which horses, mules, jacks, jennets and cattle may be prevented from running at large in certain counties, or in any subdivision of the said counties, so that when an election under said law shall be in favor of the stock law, that the certificate thereto shall be prima facie evidence of a compliance with the law to put same in force'; also to provide for the punishment of any one violating the provisions of said act, and declaring an emergency," with amendments.

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13, Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 27, providing for a Department of Agriculture, with a Bureau of Labor, with amend-

ments.

Respectfully,
BOB BARKER,
Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 622.

On motion of Senator Murray, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 622.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 622, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 9, Chapter 72, Special Road Law for Karnes county, as enacted by the Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Texas (Regular Session, 1901), relating to the pay of county commissioners when acting as road commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Murray.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Murray, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas—23.

Barrett.
Brachfield.
Faust.
Glasscock.

Green. Griggs. Grinnan. Harper. Holsey. Skinner.
Hudspeth. Smith.
Kellie. Stokes.
Looney. Stone.
Mayfield. Terrell.
Meachum. Veale.
Murray. Watson.
Senter.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Mast
Chambers. Paul
Cunningham. Wille
Harbison.

Masterson. Paulus. Willacy.

#### Absent-Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Mavfield. Brachfield. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Smith. Grinnan. Stokes. . Harper. Stone. Holsev. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Looney.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Masterson.
Chambers. Paulus.
Cunningham. Willacy.
Harbison.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Senator Murray moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 563.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 563.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 563, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Alpine Independent School District in Brewster county, Texas, and defining its boundaries, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted. on motion of Senator Hudspeth.

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Hudspeth, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Skinner. Grinnan. Smith. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Looney.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Paulus. Chambers. Stokes. Cunningham. Willacy. Harbison.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-23.

Barrett. Masterson. Brachfield, Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Skinner. Grinnan. Smith. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Looney.

# Absent.

Alexander. Paulus.
Chambers. Stokes.
Cunningham. Willacy.
Harbison.

Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Senator Hudspeth moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL No. 424.

On motion of Senator Meachum, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate

took up, out of its order, House bill No.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

third reading

House bill No. 424, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 7, Chapter 38, Special Road Law for Hood county, Texas, relating to exemption from road duty."

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Glasscock. Meachum. Green. Murray. Griggs. Senter. Skinner. Grinnan. Stone. Harper. Terrell. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellie.

#### Absent.

Alexander. Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Smith. Stokes. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Greer.

Senator Meachum moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### EXCUSED.

On motion of Senator Meachum Senator Alexander was excused from attendance upon the Senate indefinitely on account of business.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 206.

On motion of Senator Green, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 206.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 206, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define 'delinquent child' and to regulate the treatment and control of same."

Senator Green offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend House bill No. 206 by adding the word "habitually" before the word "jumps," in line 26, page 1.

Senator Green offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend House bill No. 206 by adding the words "and district" before the word "courts," page 2, line 5, and by adding "and district" before "the courts," page 3, line 17 and by adding the words "or district" before the word "court," page 3, line 22, and by adding the words "or district" before the word "court," page 3, line 26, and by adding the word "or district" before the word "court," page 5, line 19.

Senator Green offered the following

amendment, which was adopted:

Amend by adding emergency clause as follows:

"Sec. 10. The fact that there is now no law to regulate and control delinquent children creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity justifying and requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule, which requires bills to be read on three several days and said rule is hereby suspended and this act shall take effect and go into force upon its passage, and it is so ordered."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Green the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

# Yeas-22.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Glasscock. Meachum. Green. Murray. Skinner. Griggs. Stokes. Grinnan Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson.

### Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus

Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Barrett. Brachfield. Faust.

Glasscock. Green. Griggs.

Grinnan. Meachum.
Harper. Murray.
Holsey. Skinner.
Hudspeth. Stokes.
Kellie. Stone.
Looney. Terrell.
Masterson. Veale.
Mayfield. Watson.

#### Absent.

Chambers.
Cunningham.
Harbison.
Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Green moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 205.

On motion of Senator Green, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 205.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 205, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define dependent and neglected children, and to regulate the treatment of same."

Senator Green offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend House bill No. 205 by adding the words "and district" before the word "courts," page 1, line 32, and by adding the words "or district" before the word "court," page 2, line 12.

Senator Green offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend by adding emergency clause: "The fact that there is now no law making proper provisions for the care and treatment of dependent and neglected children creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity justifying and requiring the suspension of the constitutional rule which requires bills to be read on three several days and said rule is hereby suspended and this act shall take effect and go into force upon its passage and it is so enacted."

Bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Green the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas-22.

Barrett.
Brachfield.
Faust.
Glasscock.
Green.
Griggs.
Grinnan.
Harper.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Kellie.

Looney.
Masterson.
Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Skinner.
Stokes.
Stone.
Terrell.
Veale.
Watson.

#### Absent.

Chambers.
Cunningham.
Harbison.
Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Barrett.
Brachfield.
Faust.
Glasscock.
Green.
Griggs.
Grinnan.
Harper.
Holsey.
Hudspeth.
Kellie.

Looney.
Masterson.
Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Skinner.
Stokes.
Stone.
Veale.
Watson.

# Absent.

Chambers.
Cunningham.
Harbison.
Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Terrell. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 77.

On motion of Senator Green, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 77.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 77, A bill to be entitled "An Act making it a misdemeanor to abandon or wilfully neglect to provide for the support and maintenance by any person of his wife, or his or her minor children in destitute or necessitous circumstances."

ed and the bill put on its third reading Senator Green offered the following and final passage by the following vote: amendment, which was adopted:

Amend House bill No. 77 by adding

the following section:
"Sec. 3. The fact that there is now no law punishing a willful abandonment of minor children creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity and an emergency which authorizes the suspension of the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days in each House and it is so enacted that such rule be and the same is hereby suspended and this act shall take effect from and after its passage."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Green the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson
Faust.	Mayfield.
Glasscock.	Meachum.
Green.	Murray.
Griggs.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Stone.
Holsey.	$\mathbf{Veale}_{.}$
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

#### Absent.

Chambers.	Senter.
Cunningham.	Smith.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Paulus.	Willacy.

### Absent-Excused.

### Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson.
Faust.	Mayfield.
Glasscock.	Meachum.
Green.	Murray.
Griggs.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Stone.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

#### Absent

	Mosche.
Chambers.	Senter.
Cunningham.	Smith.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Paulus.	Willacy.

# Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

### HOUSE BILL NO. 87.

On motion of Senator Holsey, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22), was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 87.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 87, A bill to be entitled "An Act declaring that persons, firms and corporations who sell intoxicating liquor without first procuring license and paying all taxes due, and who engage in selling, dispensing, taking or-ders for, prescribing the use of, or ped-dling intoxicating liquor contrary to the provisions of this act in counties and precincts wherein the sale of intoxicating liquor has been prohibited by law, to be creators and promotors of a public nuisance; provided that such persons may be restrained by writs of injunction, and in certain cases that license may be revoked; that this act shall be cumulative, prescribing methods of procuring testimony, and declaring an emergency.

Bill read second time and passed to

a third reading.

On motion of Senator Holsey, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson
Faust.	Mayfield.
Glasscock.	Meachum.
Green.	Murray.
Griggs.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Stone.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

#### Absent.

Chambers,	Senter.
Cunningham.	Smith.
Harbison.	Terrell.
Paulus.	Willacy

### Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

Y	eas-	-16.

Barrett. Kellie. Brachfield. Looney. Mayfield. Glasscock. Green. Meachum. Grinnan. Murray. Skinner. Harper. Holsey. Stokes. Veale. Hudspeth.

Nays-5.

Faust. Griggs. Masterson. Stone. Watson.

Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Terrell. Willacy.

#### Absent-Excused.

# Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Holsey moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed. (President Pro Tem. Skinner in the chair.)

### HOUSE BILL NO. 339.

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 339.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 339, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Sections 5, 6, 12 and 15 of an act passed by the Twenty-seventh Legislature as amended by the Twenty-eighth Legislature, creating a special road system for Coryell county, and to repeal all laws in conflict therewith."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Mayfield.

Bill read second time and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Mayfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas—22.

Barrett. Glasscock. Brachfield. Green. Chambers. Griggs. Faust. Grinnan.

Harper. Meachum. Murray. Holsey. Hudspeth. Skinner. Kellie. Stokes. Looney. Stone. Masterson. Veale. Mayfield. Watson.

#### Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus. Senter.

Smith. Terrell. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Looney. Barrett. Brachfield. Masterson. Chambers. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Stokes. Grinnan. Stone. Harper. Terrell. Holsey. Veale. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellie.

# Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Mayfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed. (Senator Chambers in the chair.)

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 476.

On motion of Senator Veale, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 476.
The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 476, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the government of the United States to obtain title to land for a national park to be located in the counties of Armstrong and Randall, in the State of Texas, and to condemn same and to define procedure for such condemnation."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Veale.

The bill was read, and passed to a third reading, and the vote by which the bill was passed to a third reading was reconsidered.

Senator Veale offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill by adding:

"Section 3. The near approach of the adjournment of the Legislature and the crowded condition of the calendar creates an emergency and imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this bill take effect and be in force from the date of its passage, and it is so enacted."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Veale, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas—23.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson
Chambers.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Murray.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Terrell.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Paulus. Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Barrett. Looney. Brachfield. Masterson. Cunningham. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Stokes. Grinnan. Stone. Harper. Terrell. Hudspeth. Veale. Kellie. Watson.

#### Absent.

Chambers. Harbison. Holsey. Paulus.

Senter. Smith. Willacy.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Veale moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### HOUSE BILL NO. 126.

On motion of Senator Glasscock, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 126

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring commissioners courts to purchase from the lowest and best bidder all the blank books and stationery supplies required by the several counties, and prescribing the manner of contracting therefor."

The committee report, with amendments, was adopted, on motion of Sen-

ator Glasscock.

Senator Green offered the following amendment:

Amend Section 2 of the bill by striking out the words "at the first regular session after the passage of this act at the first meeting in Feburary," in lines 1, 2 and 3, and the words "thereafter to," in line 28, page 1, and insert the word "to" before the word "annually," page 1, line 28.

#### RECESS.

On motion of Senator Skinner, the Senate, at 12:10 o'clock, recessed until 2:30 o'clock today.

### AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Skinner.

### HOUSE BILL NO. 126.

Action recurred on House bill No. 126, the question being on the amendment by Senator Green, and the same was read and adopted.

Senator Brachfield offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend by adding to Section 3 the following:

"Provided further, That the commissioners court may receive separate bids for the different classes herein mentioned."

Senator Brachfield offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill, line 22, page 1, by striking out the words "is authorized and required to," and place in lieu thereof the following: "May, by an order entered of record, be authorized and empowered to."

Senator Brachfield offered the follow-

ing amendment, which was adopted:
Amend by adding Section "7a," which shall read as follows:

"Section 7a. The commissioners court of each county may, by order of record, after contracts have been in force one year, repeal said order."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Harper, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Barrett. Looney Brachfield. Mayfield. Murray. Chambers. Faust. Senter. Glasscock. Skinner. Green. Smith. Griggs. Stone. Grinnan. Terrell. Harper. Veale. Holsey. Watson. Hudspeth. Willacy. Kellie.

### Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Masterson.

Meachum. Paulus. Stokes.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer

(Senator Looney in the chair.)

Senator Willacy offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out all after the word "bids," in line 21, page 2, down to and including the word "let," in line 25.

Senator Glasscock offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend by adding after the word "let," in line 25, page 2, Section 3, the following words: "Otherwise to such other person or persons as the commissioners court in its judgment may determine."

On motion of Senator Willacy, the substitute for the amendment was tabled. The amendment by Senator Willacy was then adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-16.

Brachfield. Looney. Chambers. Masterson. Faust. Mayfield. Green. Meachum. Griggs. Senter. Grinnan. Skinner. Holsey. Smith. Kellie. Willacy.

Nays-6.

Barrett. Glasscock. Harper.

Hudspeth. Stone. Terrell.

Present-Not Voting.

Stokes.

Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Murray.

Paulus. Veale. Watson.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Grinnan offered the following amendment:

Amend by adding just before the emergency clause the following:

"And if any county or its officers are required to use a cheaper material than that contracted for, the county will only be liable for one-fourth of its contract value, and no more."

Senator Glasscock moved the previous question on the amendment and the bill, which motion was duly seconded, and was so ordered.

The amendment by Senator Grinnan was lost by the following vote:

#### Yeas-6.

Brachfield. Chambers. Glasscock.

Grinnan. Murray. Stokes.

#### Nays—19.

Barrett. Faust. Green. Griggs. Harper. Holsey. Hudspeth. Kellie. Loonev.

Masterson.

Mayfield. Meachum. Senter. Skinner. Smith. Stone. Terrell. Watson. Willacy.

#### Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison.

Paulus. Veale.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table. The motion to table prevailed.

#### SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 13, HOUSE AMENDMENTS CON-CURRED IN.

Senator Brachfield called up as privileged matter,

Senate Joint Resolution No. 13, Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article 4 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding thereto a section to be known as Section 27, providing for a Department of Agriculture, with a Bureau of Labor,

And moved that the Senate concur in the following House amendments:

Strike out all after the word "the," in line 36, page 1, of the resolution unto and including the word "therefore," in line 38, same page, and insert in lieu thereof the words, "first Tuesday in August, 1907."

The amendment was adopted.

Amend by striking out the word "present" after the word "Senate," in line 27, page 1.

The motion to concur prevailed by the following vote:

# Yeas-22.

Brachfield. Masterson. Chambers. Mayfield. Faust. Meachum. Glasscock. Murray. Green. Senter. Griggs. Skinner. Grinnan. Stokes. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Terrell. Kellie. Watson. Looney. Willacy.

# Absent.

Barrett. Paulus. Cunningham. Smith. Harbison. Veale. Hudspeth.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

FREE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT—ADOPTION OF.

Senator Harper offered the following as a privileged matter:

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas March 18, 1907.

To Hon. A. B. Davidson, Lieutenant-Governor, and Hon. Thomas B. Love, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sirs: We, your Free Conference Committee, to whom was referred House bill No. 274, having had same under consideration, beg leave to report the same back, with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment:

Amend Section 15, on page 7, by striking out all after the word "in," lines 16 and 17, and insert the following: "All lines looking toward the agricultural and horticultural interest of the State."

HARPER, GREEN, MURRAY, CHAMBERS, BARRETT,

On part of the Senate. NELSON of Kaufman, DAVIS of Brazos, JACKSON, CABLE,

On part of the House.

On motion of Senator Harper, the above report was adopted by the following vote:

# Yeas—22.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Meachum
Faust.	Murray.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Terrell.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.

# Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth. Masterson. Paulus. Smith. Veale.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Harper moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 609.

On motion of Senator Kellie, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 609.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 609, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, and known as Chapter 49; also known as House bill No. 565, and found on pages 398 to 440. inclusive, of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular and First Called Session of the Twentyninth Legislature, convened at the city of Austin, January 15, 1905, and adjourned May 14, 1905, which act grants a special charter to the city of Beau-mont, and repeals the act of the Legislature granting a special charter to the said city, approved May 12, 1899, and amending Section 44 of said act by repealing the same and inserting in lieu thereof a new section, also declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Kellie, Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended for the purpose of considering this bill. (See Appendix for the committee report.)

On motion of Senator Kellie, the committee report, which provided that the

bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

Loonev.

On motion of Senator Kellie, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-23.

Barrett.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Meachum.
Faust.	Senter.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Green.	Stokes.
Griggs.	Stone.
Grinnan.	Terrell.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willac <b>y</b> .
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#### Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison.

Hudspeth. Murray.

Paulus. Smith.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Masterson
Chambers.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stone.
Grinnan.	Terrell.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.

#### Absent.

Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth. Murray.

Paulus. Smith. Stokes.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Kellie moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 81.

On motion of Senator Griggs, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 81.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 81, A bill to be entitled "An Act relating to the collection of costs and witness fees by county and precinct officers of the State of Texas; defining the fees collected, requiring report of same, prescribing the final dis-position thereof, providing a penalty for the violation of this act, and declaring an emergency.

Bill read second time and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Griggs, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Barrett. Brachfield.

Chambers. Faust.

Glasscock.	Meachum.
Green.	Senter.
Griggs.	Skinner.
Grinnan.	Stokes.
Harper.	Stone.
Holsey.	Terrell.
Kellie.	Veale.
Looney.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
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#### Absent.

Cunningham. Murray. Harbison. Paulus. Hudspeth. Smith. Masterson.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed.

Senator Griggs moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

(President Pro Tem. Skinner in the chair.)

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 615.

On motion of Senator Watson, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 615.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 615, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide a more efficient road system for Burleson county, Texas."

On motion of Senator Watson, Senate rule requiring committee reports to lay over for one day was suspended for the purpose of considering this bill. (See Appendix for the committee report.)

On motion of Senator Watson, the committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

# Yeas—23.

Grinnan.
Harper.
Holsey.
Kellie.
Looney.
Masterson.
Mayfield.

Meachum.	Terrell.
Senter.	Veale.
Skinner.	Watson.
Stokes.	Willacy.
Stone.	·

#### Absent.

Cunningham. Murray. Harbison. Paulus. Hudspeth. Smith.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Masterson. Barrett. Brachfield. Mayfield. Meachum. Chambers. Faust. Senter. Skinner. Glasscock. Green. Stokes. Griggs. Stone. Terrell. Grinnan. Harper. Veale. Holsev. Watson. Willacy. Kellie. Looney.

### Absent.

Cunningham. Murray. Harbison. Paulus. Hudspeth. Smith.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed. and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 55.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senatotook up, out of its order, House bill No. 55.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

House bill No. 55, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 108 of the School Laws of the State of Texas, relating to special elections in school districts for the purpose of providing for the levy of certain taxes for school purposes."

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Barrett.

Bill read read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Barrett, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willac <b>y.</b>
Looney.	•

### Absent.

Chambers.	Murray
Cunningham.	Paulus.
Harbison.	Smith.
Hudspeth.	Terrell.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Masterson.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Faust.	Meachum.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.
Loonev	-

### Absent.

Chambers.	Murray.
Cunningham.	Paulus.
Harbison.	Smith.
Hudspeth.	Terrell.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Barrett moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### SENATE BILL NO. 15.

on motion of Senator Looney, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 15 by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Meachum
Faust.	Murray.
Glasscock.	Senter.
Green.	Skinner.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.

#### Absent.

Cunningham.	Paulus
Harbison.	Smith.
Hudspeth.	Terrell
Masterson.	

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on third reading,

Senate bill No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act on the subject of private corporations, prescribing the terms and conditions on which they may be chartered, the contents of the charters, their duties and the duties of their directors, officers and agents; and certain limitations and restrictions on their powers and the powers of their officers, directors and agents, prescribing terms and conditions under which their capital stock may be increased and decreased, and providing for their dissolution and generally providing rules and regulations for their government and the conduct of their business; also prsceribing the terms and conditions under which foreign corporations may be granted permits to do business in Texas, and the circumstances under which the permit is forfeited; also prescribing the duties of such corporations, their officers, directors and agents, and certain limitations and restrictions on their powers-providing suitable forfeitures, penalties, fines and imprison-ment for the violation of the provisions of this act and repealing certain sections and articles of Title XXI of the Revised Statutes of this State."

The bill was read, and

Senator Looney offered the following amendment:

Amend Senate bill No. 15 by adding Sections Nos. 3, 4 and 5, to read as follows:

"Sec. 3. A corporation may increase its capital stock to any amount not exceeding at any one time double the amount of its authorized capital, by a two-thirds vote of all its stock; and when such vote is given in favor of the increase the same may be done by the board of directors, trustees or managing board of such corporation; and upon such increase of stock being made in accordance with the above provision, and certified to the Secretary of State by the directors, together with satisfactory proof, which shall be the affidavit of the directors, showing that the full amount of the increase has been in good faith subscribed, and 50 per cent thereof paid and in other respects conforming to the proof required as on original application for charter; or showing that such portion thereof has been subscribed, or subscribed and paid, as is required for the corporation thus increasing its stock; and if the Secretary of State is satisfied that the increase of stock has been made in accordance with law, and that the requirements of law have been complied with as to the subscription and payment of stock and in other respects as on an original application for charter, he shall file such certificate of increase, and thereupon the same shall become a part of the capital stock of such corporation, and in case of the failure by the stockholders to pay the unpaid portion of the increase within two years from the date of the filing of such certificate of increase in the office of the Secretary of State, the charter of said company shall be forfeited, and the provisions of Section 2 of this act shall govern same as in case of an original creation of a corporation; provided that a corporation may decrease its capital stock by such amount as its stockholders may decide by a two-thirds vote of all its outstanding stock, in like manner as is required for an increase as above provided, but no such decrease shall prejudice the rights of any creditor of such corporation in any claim or cause of action such creditor may have against the company or any stockholder or director thereof; nor shall such decrease become effective until full proof is made by the affidavit of the directors to the Secretary of State of the financial condi-

and postoffice address of all creditors and amount due each, and the Secretary of State may require as a condition precedent to the filing of such certificate of decrease that the debts of such corporation be paid or reduced.

"Sec. 4. A corporation is dissolved:
"(1) By expiration of the time lim-

ited in its charter.

"(2) By a judgment of dissolution rendered by a court of competent juris-

diction.

- "(3) Where four-fifths in interest of all stock outstanding shall vote in favor of a dissolution a stockholders' meeting, called for that purpose, on notice signed by a majority of the directors, stating time, place and object of the meeting, served personally, or by mail, at least thirty days next before the meeting. If at said meeting four-fifths in interest of all the stockholders of said company shall signify their consent in writing to the dissolution of the corporation, such consent in writing, together with a list of the directors and officers of the company, giving postoffice address and place of residence of each, certified by the president and the secretary and treasurer as true and correct action of the stockholders, shall be filed with the Secretary of State; or when, without a stockholders' meeting, all the stockholders of the corporation consent in writing to a dissolution, the same shall be certified to as above and filed with the Secretary of State. When any such certificate as above mentioned is filed with the Secretary of State, he shall issue a certificate that such consent has been filed and that the corporation is dissolved, and said officer shall so note on the ledger in his office.
- "(4) A corporation is dissolved whenever, under any special provision of law, its charter is forfeited without judicial ascertainment.
- "(5) Where a corporation created under Title XXI, or a general law of this State, shall fail to commence active operations within three years after filing its charter with the Secretary of State, its charter is hereby forfeited and it is dissolved.
- "(6) Whenever a corporation becomes and is insolvent.
- of action such creditor may have against the company or any stockholder or director thereof; nor shall such decrease become effective until full proof is made by the affidavit of the directors to the Secretary of State of the financial condition of such corporation, giving therein all its assets and liabilities, with names they may be known in law, shall be trustees of the creditors

and stockholders of such corporation, with full power to settle the affairs, collect the outstanding debts and divide the moneys and other property among the stockholders, after paying the debts due and owing by such corporation at the time of its dissolution, as far as such money and property will enable them, after paying all just and reasonable expenses; and to this end, and for this purpose, they may in the name of such corporation sell, convey and transfer all real and personal property belonging to such company, collect all debts, compromise controversies, maintain or defend judicial proceedings and to exercise the full power and authority of said company over such assets and properties; and the existence of every corporation may be continued for three years, after its dissolution from whatever cause, for the purpose of enabling those charged with the duty to settle up its affairs; and in case a receiver is appointed by a court for this purpose, the existence of such corporation may be continued by the court so long as in its discretion it is necessary to suitably settle up the affairs of such corporation.

"Sec. 5. No corporation, domestic or foreign, doing business in the State, shall employ or use its stock, means, assets or other property, directly or indirectly, for any other purpose whatever than to accomplish the legitimate objects of its creation or that permitted by law, nor shall it issue any stock or create any indebtedness whatever, except for money paid or labor done, which is reasonably worth at least the sum at which it was taken by the corporation; or property actually received reasonably worth at least the sum at which it was taken by the company; nor shall it, directly or indirectly, contribute or pay any part of its assets, property or funds to any political party or to any officer or campaign manager of any political party, or to any person whatsoever, for or on account of such party, nor to any candidate for any office before or after nominations are made, or to aid in defraying the expenses of any candidate for office, or to any person for or on account of aid in defraying the expenses of a cadidate for office, or to any person whatsoever for, or on account of, aid in maintaining or defraving the expenses of any campaign or political headquarters, or to any person whatsoever for, or on account of, the success or defeat of any question to be voted upon by the qualified voters of this State, or any subdivi-

violates the provision of this section shall, on proof thereof in any court of competent jurisdiction, forfeit its permit, license or charter, as the case may be, and all rights and franchises which it holds under, from or by virtue of the laws of this State.

"Whenever it appears that the money, assets, property or funds of a corporation has been issued, paid out or used in violation of any provisions of this section by any agent, attorney, director or officer of said company, it shall be held and considered the act of the corporation, unless within one year from the date of said violation it has caused to be entered, through its board of directors, on its records in this State, an order repudiating the wrong and permanently dismissing from its service all persons directly or indirectly connected with such violation."

The amendment was adopted by a unanimous vote.

Senator Looney offered the following amendment, which was adopted by a unanimous vote:

Amend the caption of the engrossed bill by adding thereto the following: "Also prescribing the method by which the capital stock of private corporations may be increased and decreased; also providing for the dissolution of corporations, and the procedure incident thereto; also forbidding any such corporation to use its assets, property, stock, means or funds in the interest, or for the success of, any political party or candidate for office, or for the defeat or success of any questions submitted to a vote of the people, or for any purpose other than to accomplish the legitimate objects of its creation."

The bill was read third time, and passed.

Senator Looney moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 469.

On motion of Senator Veale, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 469.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 469, A bill to be entitled "An Act to restore and confer upon the county court of Gray county the civil and criminal jurisdiction belonging to such courts under the Constision thereof. Any corporation which tution and General Statutes of the

State; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change and repeal all laws in conflict with this act, so far as relates to Gray county."

The committee report, which recommended that the bill pass and be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Veale, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

#### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Mayfield.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Faust.	Senter.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Green.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.
Looney.	•

#### Absent.

Chambers.	Meachum.
Cunningham.	Masterson.
Harbison.	Paulus.
Hudspeth.	Terrell.

### Absent-Excused.

Greer.

Alexander.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Mayfield.
Meachum.
Murray.
Senter.
Skinner.
Smith.
Stokes.
Stone.
Veale.
Watson.
Willacy.

#### Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham.	Masterson. Paulus.
Harbison. Hudspeth.	Terrell.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Veale moved to reconsider the | Faust.

vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

SENATE BILL NO. 255.

# The motion to table prevailed.

On motion of Senator Stokes, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 255, by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Meachum.
Brachfield.	Murray.
Faust.	Senter.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Green.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Harper.	Veale.
Holsey.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	•
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# Absent.

Looney.
Masterson
Paulus.
Terrell.

#### Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on second reading,

Senate bill No. 255, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 5, Title CII, of the Revised Civil Statutes of Texas of 1895, as amended by the Acts of 1899, by amending Article 5001e, as enacted by the Twenty-ninth Legislature of 1899, relating to the mode of preventing certain animals from running at large in counties or in subdivisions thereof, so as to provide relief for enclosed land owners in cases where such laws adjoins territory in which a stock law is enforced and declaring an emergency."

The committee report, which provided that the bill pass and be not printed, was adopted, on motion of Senator Stokes.

Bill read second time, and ordered en-

grossed.

On motion of Senator Stokes, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Barrett.	Glasscock
Brachfield.	Green
Faust	Grigos.

Senter. Grinnan. Skinner. Harper. Holsey. Smith. Kellie. Stokes. Loonev Stone. Mayfield. Veale. Meachum. Watson. Murray. Willacy.

### Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth.

Masterson. Paulus. Terrell.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Mayfield. Barrett. Brachfield. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Green. Skinner. Smith. Griggs. Grinnan. Stokes. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Veale. Watson. Kellie. Willacy. Looney.

#### Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth.

Masterson. Paulus. Terrell.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Stokes moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed. and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

### HOUSE BILL NO. 488.

On motion of Senator Grinnan, the regular order of business (House bil No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 488.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,
House bill No. 488, A bill to be e titled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Mills county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

On motion of Senator Grinnan, the committee report, which provided that

the bill pass and be not printed, was adopted.

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Grinnan, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-22.

Barrett. Mayfield. Brachfield. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Smith. Grinnan. Stokes. Harper. Stone. Holsey. Veale. Kellie. Watson. Willacy. Looney.

#### Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth.

Masterson. Paulus. Terrell.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

# Yeas-22.

Barrett. Mayfield. Brachfield. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Skinner. Green. Smith. Griggs. Stokes. Grinnan. Harper. Stone. Veale. Holsev. Watson. Kellie. Willacy. Loonev.

# Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Hudspeth.

Masterson. Paulus, Terrell.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Grinnan moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

# HOUSE BILL NO. 363.

On motion of Senator Senter, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 363.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 363, A bill to be entitled "An Act to define the limits of the Fourteenth and Forty-fourth Judicial Districts of Texas and to repeal all laws and parts of laws in so far as they may conflict with the provisions of this act."

Senator Senter offered the following amendment, which was adopted:

Amend the bill by adding thereto, at the end thereof, Section 4, to read as follows:

"Sec. 4. The fact that the present division of the Fourteenth and Forty-fourth Judicial Districts is a cause of great inconvenience to the people of those districts, and the near approach of the end of the session creates an imperative public necessity and emergency which requires that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended, and that this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Senter, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas—23.

Barrett. Mayfield. Brachfield. Meachum. Murray. Faust. Glasscock. Senter. Green. Skinner. Griggs. Stokes. Grinnan. Stone. Harper. Terrell. Holsey. Veale. Watson. Hudspeth. Kellie. Willacy. Looney.

Absent.

Chambers. Masterson.
Cunningham. Paulus.
Harbison. Smith.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander. Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-23.

Mayfield. Barrett. Brachfield. Meachum. Faust. Murray. Glasscock. Senter. Skinner. Green. Griggs. Smith. Stokes. Grinnan. Harper. Stone. Veale. Holsey. Hudspeth. Watson. Kellie. Willacy. Looney.

Absent.

Chambers. Cunningham. Harbison. Masterson. Paulus. Terrell.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

Senator Senter moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### HOUSE BILL NO. 364.

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the regular order of business (House bill No. 22) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, House bill No. 364.

The Chair laid before the Senate, on

second reading,

House bill No. 364, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit any corporation or receiver operating a line of railway, in whole or in part, in the State of Texas, or any officer, agent or representative of such corporation or receiver, from requiring or permitting any conductor, engineer, fireman, brakeman, train dispatcher or telegraph operator who has been on duty for fourteen consecutive hours to perform any work until he has had at least eight hours off duty."

Senator Stone offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out the words "fourteen hours" wherever it occurs in the bill and insert in lieu thereof the words "sixteen hours."

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the amendment was tabled.

Senator Griggs offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the words "or permit." in lines 3 and 24, page 2; also strike out the words "permitted or," page 3.

Senator Willacy offered the following substitute for the amendment:

Amend the bill, on page 2, by inserting between the words "or" and "permit." in line 3, the word "knowingly": also amend by inserting the word "knowingly" between the words "or" and "permitting," in line 18.

The substitute amendment for the amendment was adopted, and the amendment, as substituted, was then adopted.

Senator Willacy then offered the following, which was adopted:

Amend the bill, on page 2, by inserting between the words "to" and "require," in line 24, the word "knowingly."

Bill read second time, and passed to a

third reading.

On motion of Senator Brachfield, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

### Yeas-21.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Meachum.
Faust.	Senter.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Green.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	

#### Absent.

Cunningham.	Murray.
Harbison.	Paulus.
Harper.	Terrell.
Masterson.	Willacy.

### Absent-Excused.

#### Alexander. Greer.

The bill was read third time, and passed by the following vote:

#### Yeas-22.

Barrett.	Looney.
Brachfield.	Mayfield.
Chambers.	Meachum.
Faust.	Senter.
Glasscock.	Skinner.
Green.	Smith.
Griggs.	Stokes.
Grinnan.	Stone.
Holsey.	Veale.
Hudspeth.	Watson.
Kellie.	Willacy.

#### Absent

Cunningham.	Murray
Harbison.	Paulus.
Harper.	Terrell.
Masterson.	

#### Absent—Excused.

Alexander. Greer.

Senator Brachfield moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

#### THIRD HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives. Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon, A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 685, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate the incorporation of Childress Independent School District."

House bill No. 657, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Rockwood Independent School District, in Coleman county, Texas, and defining its boundaries," etc.

House concurs in Senate amendment to House bill No. 128.

### Respectfully BOB BARKER.

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

### BILLS SIGNED.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Skinner) gave notice of signing, and did sign in the presence of the Senate, after their captions had been read,

House bill No. 653, "An Act granting Denison, Grayson county, Texas, a new charter of incorporation, repealing all laws and parts of laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency.'

House bill No. 410, "An Act to create

a more efficient road system for Washington county, Texas."
House bill No. 92, "An Act amending Title XVIII, Chapter 13, Article 1010 of the Penal Code relating to offenses by railway officials or against railway companies.

House bill No. 392, "An Act to confer upon the county court of San Jacinto county the civil and criminal jurisdiction heretofore belonging to said court under the Constitution and General Statutes of the State of Texas; to define the jurisdiction of said court; to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to such change; to fix the time of holding court; to repeal all laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act; and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 390, "An Act to amend Section 7, Chapter 10, of the General Laws of Texas, 1905, Acts of the First Called Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, in reference to the reserve fund

to be kept by State banks."

House bill No. 128, "An Act to be entitled 'An Act to repeal Subdivisions one (1), five (5), six (6), eight (8), eleven (11), twelve (12), thirty-one (31), thirty-three (33), thirty-five (35), thirty-eight (38), thirty-nine (39), fifty-one (51), fifty-five (55), fifty-nine (59), and to amend Subdivisions thirteen (13) of Section one (1) of an act entitled an act to amend Article 5049, Chapter one (1), Title one hundred and four (104) of the Revised Civil Statutes relating to general occupation taxes,' Chapter eighteen (18) of the Acts of the First Special Session of the Twenty-fifth Legislature, relating to taxes on certain occupations."

House bill No. 162, "An Act defining commission merchants, requiring such merchants to give bond, imposing a penalty for pursuing the occupation of commission merchant when bond has not been made; providing that suits may be brought on such bonds, fixing the venue of such suits, repealing all laws in conflict, and declaring an emer-

gency."

House bill No. 5, "An Act to prohibit and prevent adulteration, fraud and deception in the manufacture and sale of articles of food, drink, paints and drugs, and prescribing penalties for the violation of this act, and to provide for the appointment of a Dairy and Food Commissioner, and to define his powers and duties, and to fix his compensation, and to repeal all laws in conflict with the provisions of this act."

### MOTION TO RESCIND ACTION.

Senator Meachum made the following motion:

Mr. President: I move that the Senate request the House to return House bill No. 80 to the Senate for further consideration, and that the Senate rescind its action on the adoption of the motion to reconsider and table the vote by which House bill No. 80 was finally passed, and on the engrossment and final passage of House bill No. 80, and ask that this motion be printed in the

Journal, and lay on the table subject to call.

Senator Looney moved to call up the motion, and moved to table same.

#### ADJOURNMENT.

Pending discussion on the motion, Senator Griggs moved that the Senate adjourn until 10 o'clock Monday morning, which motion to adjourn was adopted by the following vote:

#### Yeas-13.

Barrett. Meachum.
Chambers. Murray.
Faust. Senter.
Glasscock. Stone.
Griggs. Watson.
Hudspeth. Willacy.
Kellie.

### Nays—11.

Brachfield, Mayfield.
Green. Skinner.
Grinnan. Smith.
Harper. Stokes.
Holsey. Veale.
Looney.

#### Absent.

Cunningham. Paulus. Harbison. Terrell. Masterson.

Absent-Excused.

Alexander.

Greer.

### APPENDIX.

### INVITATION TO VISIT VICTORIA.

The Chair had the following invitation read to the Senate:

To the President and Members of the

Senate, Austin, Texas.

Gentlemen:—The citizens of Victoria, through its Business Men's Association, have arranged for a grand celebration to be given on Thursday, April 4th, 1907, as an expression of our gratitude at the passage of the Fifty-ninth Congress of rivers and harbors bill, which makes liberal appropriations for the improvement of the ports and inland waterways of our great State, and as President of the Business Men's Association, I hereby extend a cordial invitation to all members and officers of the Senate to be present and help us to rejoice at the coming of an era of improvement of our waterways which will

be of untold benefit in the development of the resources of Texas.

Trusting that you may be able to favor us with your presence, I am.

Yours very truly, R. L. DANIEL. President of Victoria B. M. A.

On motion of Senator Stone, the invitation was accepted.

#### PETITIONS.

By Senator Veale:

Whereas, The Legislature of the State of Texas makes annual appropriations to the Department of Animal Husbandry of the Agricultural and Mechanical College for the purpose of purchasing of stock to be maintained for use in teaching, and,

Whereas, They make annual appropriations for the accommodation of stock and maintenance thereof, and,

Whereas, They make appropriations for feeding and experiments with this stock in various ways; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we urgently request that the Legislature appropriate for each of the years 1907-08 and 1908-09, \$10,000.00 for the purchase of stock to he maintained for use in teaching, \$2,500.00 for providing accommodations for stock and the maintenance thereof, and \$5,000.00 for feeding experiments to be planned by a board consisting of the Director of the Experiment Station, the Professor of Animal Husoandry and one member from each of the live stock associations in the State, these to be named by the presidents of the associations, making a total appropriation for the live stock branch of the Agricultural and Mechanical College, of \$17,-500.00 for each of the years 1907-08 and 1908-09.

Numerously signed.

By Senator Veale:

To Our Representatives:

We, the citizens of Wichita county, Postoffice Wichita Falls, Texas, who are vitally interested in the cotton crop of Texas, earnestly petition our representatives in the House and Senate to support the Jenkins-Mayfield bill for the suppression of gambling in cotton and all other farm products, and the regulation of the cotton exchanges of the country.

Numerously signed.

#### COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room. Austin, Texas, March 21, 1908.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Federal Relations, to whom was referred

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12. Making application to the Congress of the United States to call for a convention to propose an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide for the election of United States Senators by direct vote of the qualified electors of the several States and requesting the Governor to call a convention to further the purposes of this Resolution.

Have had the same under consideration, and report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do

Mayfield, Chairman; Griggs, Barrett, Veale, Willacy.

Committee Room.

Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the

Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 252, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to require railroad companies chartered under the laws of the State of Texas and doing business in this State to purchase sufficient rolling stock and motive power to handle all passenger and freight traffis comfortably, expeditiously and without unreasonable delay, and conferring authority upon the Railroad Commission of Texas to require compliance with the provisions of this Act, and prescribing penalties for their failure to do so or to observe orders made therein by the Railroad Commission of Texas,'

Have had the same under consideration, and we report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation

that it do pass.

Brachfield, Chairman; Meachum, Chambers, Senter, Willacy, Green, Masterson, Holsey, Looney, Faust.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon, A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Towns and

City Corporations, to whom was re-

Senate bill No. 298, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to amend Title XVIII, Chapter 4, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, relative to cities and towns, by adding to said chapter an article to be known and designated as Article 483b, and declaring an emergency,

Have had same under consideration, and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do

Chambers, Chairman; Griggs, Senter, Masterson. Willacy, Holsey, Smith.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon, A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate

Sir: We, your Judiciary Committee

No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 143, a bill to be entitled, "An Act to amend Article 3294 Chapter 2, Title LXVI, of the Revised Statutes of the State of Texas, relating to liens of mechanics, contractors, builders and material men by adding thereto a lien in favor of mechanics, contractors and material men on oil wells, cisterns, tanks, reservoirs or artificial pools or lakes made for supplying or storing oil,"

Have had the same under consideration, and we report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it

do pass, and be printed.

Stone, Chairman; Grinnan, Veale, Harper, Green, Skinner, Masterson, Senter, Chambers, Brachfield

### (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907. Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the

Sir: We, your Committee on Towns and City Corporations, to whom was re-

ferred

House bill No. 609, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an act passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, and known as Chapter 49, also known as House bill No. 565, and found on pages 398 to 440, inclusive, of the Special Laws of the State of Texas, passed at the Regular and First Called Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, convened at the City of Austin, January 15, 1905, and adjourned May 14, 1905, which act grants a special charter to the City of | Beaumont, etc., and providing emer-

gency,

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Chambers, Chairman; Griggs, Masterson, Smith, Holsey, Green, Senter, Har-

#### (Floor Report.)

Committee Room, Austin, Texas, March 21, 1907.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

House bill No. 615, A bill entitled "An Act to provide a more efficient road sys-

tem for Burleson county,

Have had the same under consideration, and we report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Green, Chairman; Mayfield, Hudspeth, Meachum, Harper, Glasscock, Senter.

Watson.

#### FIFTY-SIXTH DAY.

Senate Chamber. Austin, Texas, Monday, March 25, 1907.

Senate met pursuant to adjournment. Lieutenant Governor A. B. Davidson in the chair.

Roll called, quorum present, the following Senators answering to their

Barrett. Kellie. Brachfield. Loonev Chambers. Mayfield. Cunningham. Murray. Glasscock. Paulus. Green. Senter. Greer. Skinner. Stokes. Griggs. Terrell. Grinnan. Harbison. Veale. Watson. Harper. Hudspeth. Willacy.

#### Absent.

Faust. Meachum. Smith. Holsey. Masterson. Stone.

Absent—Excused.

Alexander.

Prayer by the Chaplain, Rev. H. M.